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 Title: Curved-Slab Maximum Intensity Projections  
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 Art Unit: 2671

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## Information Disclosure Statement

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
 Alexandria, VA 22313

Dear Sir or Madam:

Attached is a completed Form PTO-1449 and copies of the pertinent parts of the references cited thereon. It is requested that the document(s) on the enclosed form be made of record.

### Part I (Authority)

This statement is filed pursuant to:

( ) 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b).

This information disclosure statement is filed either (1) within three months of the filing date of the national application; (2) within three months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.491 in an international application; (3) before the mailing date of a first office action on the merits, or (4) before the mailing of a first Office action after the filing of an RCE under § 1.114, whichever event occurs last. Accordingly, this information disclosure statement requires no fee and no certification.

(X) 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c).

This information disclosure statement is filed after the period specified in 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), but before the mailing date of either (1) a final action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.113 or (2) a notice of allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.311. Accordingly, this information disclosure statement requires either the fee specified in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) for submission of an information disclosure statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) (\$180), or a certification according to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e).

( ) 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d).

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It is respectfully requested that this information disclosure statement be considered, good cause being presented in Part III herein (certification). Please treat this paper as the required petition.

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- ☐ No fee is due.
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## Part III (Certification)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e), I certify:

- ☒ No certification is necessary.
- ☐ Each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the statement.
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An additional statement regarding these items of information ☐ is, ☒ is not, enclosed.

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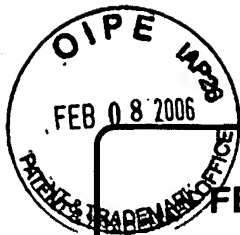
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| <b>LIST OF DOCUMENTS CITED BY APPLICANT</b><br>(Use several sheets if necessary)  |   |                                |   | APPLICANT<br>Raghav Raman |                         |
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|   | K |                                | Napel et al (1992) "CT angiography with spiral CT and maximum intensity projection", published in Radiology 185:607-610 |                           |                         |
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| <b>FEE TRANSMITTAL<br/>for FY 2005</b>  |       | Application Number     | 10/723166    |
|   |       | Filing Date            | 11/26/2003   |
|   |       | First Named Inventor   | Raghav Raman |
|   |       | Art Unit               | 2671         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See CFR 1.27. |       | Examiner Name          | Broome, Said |
| TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT   | \$180 | Attorney Docket Number | S02-272/US   |

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| <b>1. Basic Filing, Search and Examination Fees</b>  |              |                                |              |                                |                  |                                |                |
|  | Filing Fees  |                                | Search Fees  |                                | Examination Fees |                                | Fees Paid (\$) |
| Application Type:  | Fee(\$)      | Fee(\$)<br><i>Small Entity</i> | Fee(\$)      | Fee(\$)<br><i>Small Entity</i> | Fee(\$)          | Fee(\$)<br><i>Small Entity</i> |                |
| Utility  | 300          | 150                            | 500          | 250                            | 200              | 100                            | \$0            |
| Design   | 200          | 100                            | 100          | 50                             | 130              | 65                             |                |
| Reissue  | 300          | 150                            | 500          | 250                            | 600              | 300                            |                |
| Provisional  | 200          | 100                            | 0            | 0                              | 0                | 0                              |                |
| <b>2. Excess Claims Fees</b>   |              |                                |              |                                |                  |                                |                |
| 2.1 Each claim over 20 or for reissues, each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent \$50 (\$25 small entity)   |              |                                |              |                                |                  |                                |                |
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| 2.3 Multiple dependent claims \$360 (\$180 small entity)   |              |                                |              |                                |                  |                                |                |
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